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Reports from Bluefields, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports as follows: Week ended October 15, 1905: Present officially estimated population, 3,500; prevailing diseases, malarial fever, dysentery, and tuberculosis; 3 deaths; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 11	Kersage.....	Bocas del Toro	6	0	0
12	Corinto ^a	Mobile	24	4	4

^a Of 8 passengers, 4 were on a round trip from Mobile, Ala. First steamer to carry passengers from this port to Mobile since outbreak of yellow fever in New Orleans.

Week ended October 21, 1905: Number of deaths, 4; prevailing disease, malarial fever, mild type; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. When the steamship *Bluefields* leaves I shall not fumigate holds and living apartments, because sulphur and pots were taken off the vessel in Mobile by quarantine authorities.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 18	Imperator.....	Mobile ...	20	8	0
21	Bluefields.....	...do	25	2

Mobile quarantine board removes restrictions against Bluefields.

On the 11th instant I received a cable from Doctor Goldthwaite, of the Mobile quarantine board, stating that Mobile would accept passengers from Bluefields. A letter to that effect had already been received by the local manager of the steamship company, and I had issued certificates to 5 passengers wishing to embark on the steamship *Corinto*, scheduled to sail on the 11th instant.

The cable stated that the "quarantine board of Mobile would accept passengers from Bluefields," and I interpreted it to mean that the first steamer to sail after its receipt could carry passengers.

Investigation of supposed smallpox cases.

On the 13th instant it came to my knowledge that there were two suspect cases of smallpox in town. The cases proved not to have any resemblance to smallpox.